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## INTIMATIONS

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTION.

TO THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

EXCELSIOR.—I should like to take this opportunity of stating why I am a candidate for the vacancy on the Legislative Council caused by the temporary absence of the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

I do not claim to be a Commercial man and make no apology for not being one, as I consider that the Commercial interests of the Community are amply represented by the three British and two Chinese un-officials already elected. As every one is aware, the Public Works Department is far and away the biggest spending department of the Government, and the development of the Colony is very closely connected with its operations; therefore, I am of opinion that it would be in the interest of the Community if a member of my profession had a seat on the Council.

The fact that I have been in the past twenty-six years a resident of the Colony and my calling has brought me into close touch with its development, is in my excuse for offering my services to fill this vacancy.

If I am elected it is my intention to devote my energies to such Public Works as are in my opinion of a pressing nature.

The provision of telephones or some other 'adequate' communication with existing Police Stations must be taken in hand immediately.

The opening of the Fukulam catchment area for building purposes is a matter that I have advocated ever since the New Tyam reservoir was started.

The erection of a number of houses to accommodate those of the European Community who can afford expensive dwellings and are at present located in Chinese houses.

A scheme of this nature, for erecting a Garden City on the plateau above the Wong-Nei-Chong Village was put forward by Mr. Ellis over six years ago, it was intended to erect one hundred and fifty houses of different types and sizes. The City was to be surrounded by an electric tram line on the hillside connecting with the low level trams at the head of the Valley; it was to be self-contained with its own Chapel, School, Co-operative Store, Recreation Ground, etc. Taikoo has a somewhat similar little suburb at Quarry Bay which seems to be a great success.

In order that some such scheme should be feasible, the sympathy of the Government is needed, and its co-operation by way of providing adequate means of access, main and subsidiary sewers, water supply, lighting, training of nullahs, a modification of the Building Ordinance which is suitable for buildings in the densely populated parts of the town, but which is far too drastic for outlying districts, and, above all, a low premium for the land.

It cannot be expected that a Utopia should be created all at once, but perhaps some seed might be sown, which will bear fruit in due season.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours, etc.,

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I have been a Justice of the Peace for over 12 years of my 30 years' residence in the Colony, and my profession of a Chartered Accountant and Auditor to Public Companies has brought me in daily touch with the investing and commercial public, whose interests have always had my unfailing care and protection. As Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce between 1905 and 1907, and now temporarily acting in this capacity, I may claim a unique experience in the methods adopted by both the Government and the Commercial Community in originating legislation.

In the short space of 2 months during which I shall sit, if you allow me, it will be impossible to ensure that whatever I support I shall see carried out, but during that time I shall endeavour to persuade the Government to implement the law in which the forthcoming Estimates and the Annual Accounts are issued, so that they will be more understandable to Government officials and the general community alike.

More and better roads for pedestrian and motor traffic, the installation of both telephonic communication (for commercial use and wireless telegraphy for the better defence of the Colony) in the outlying stations are, in my opinion, essential improvements.

Properly supervised ferry services to outlying villages with Government financial support in return for a royalty, or share in excess profits, are also a necessity to assist in spreading the population and in order to afford the latter a cheap and health-giving form of recreation in such a variety of ways as the people in England enjoy in the continent.

I am also in favour of Government help and sympathy with Building Society schemes, such as were proposed by Mr. Montagu Ede and the promoters of the Kowloon Garden Site some years ago, over which so much cold water was poured by the vested interests of my opponent, Mr. Bird, represents, for the reason that at that time there was no money in it for them. In fact, any reasonable scheme enabling the more enlightened European and Chinese community to live in, at present, unproductive outlying districts under cheaper and more modern conditions will find me an enthusiastic supporter.

Your present member, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., has notified the Press of his and the other non-official members' disapproval of the differential treatment meted out to the wives of the local men now leaving for the war, and I am quite in favour of supporting any further action to secure equality of treatment.

I am in favour of continuing to devote as much as possible of the surplus revenues of the Colony to the needs of the war, so that we lose the war we lose all; but I desire that provision should be made in the Estimates for a more decent Lunatic Asylum, so strongly advocated by the Hon. Mr. Holycross recently in Council.

I am not in favour of hastily conceived building schemes and consequent Jerry building. Nor am I in sympathy with hereditary legislators with free seats on the Legislative Council interfering in elections in which only free and independent voters are entitled to take part, as such seems to me to be unfair and certainly un-English.

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In conclusion, the honour of representing me, the honour is the highest the Colony can bestow to which I can aspire, and I will do my best to fulfil your expectations before making any promises.

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### SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

### THE GREAT BATTLE.

### GERMANS BEING PURSUED.

### ENEMY RESISTANCE DIMINISHING.

LONDON, Aug. 23.

Reuter's Correspondent at the French  
Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday  
evening, states:

The pursuit continued during the  
whole of the afternoon and evening.

We reached the Oise at Semipigny, just  
as the bridges were blown up, but the  
descent was incomplete.

Further south, as we were occupying  
Petit-Maupas, the enemy began to re-  
treat in disorder. Numerous trains on  
the other side of the Oise have been  
hurrying towards the north

throughout the afternoon.

The enemy rearguards fought their  
sternest to save important material, but  
in vain. Our troops at the close of the  
evening had advanced to St. Paul.

Other regiments, following, collected  
a huge amount of material, heavy guns  
and machine-guns.

Our artillery and cavalry pushed  
on ahead.

It was soon noticeable that the enemy  
resistance, chiefly by machine-guns, was  
diminishing. Nevertheless, it was des-  
perate at certain points, notably at St.

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long. It is impossible to count them,  
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BRITISH, FRENCH AND JAPANESE ENGAGED.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The *Daily Mail* Correspondent at Harbin telegraphing on the afternoon of the 21st inst. reports heavy fighting on the Ussuri River. British, French and French troops were engaged. Japanese later joined in the battle, but the brunt of the fighting has been so far borne by the Cossacks and Czeks. In the evening the Allies were withdrawing outnumbered. Japanese reinforcements were yesterday morning set on the Bolshevik monitors on Lake Hanka, which were worrying the Allied left flank.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE GREAT OFFENSIVE.

## THE FALL OF ALBERT.

LONDON, Aug. 23.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, states:

In the attack in the Albert sector some tanks crossed the Aisne in the darkness and advanced under cover of early morning mist.

Opposition from the direction of Bray was strong but the enemy's artillery retaliation consisted mainly of heavy howitzers, well back, as the bulk of the German field-guns have been withdrawn.

Heavy rifle and machine-guns fire greeted the entry of our troops into Albert at ten in the morning of Thursday and by eleven o'clock, after street fighting, we had driven the enemy out of the town and captured 1,400 prisoners, including a battalion commander, his staff, a few guns and numerous machine-guns.

The Germans previously evacuated the stores.

Although at some points northwards of the Somme we are still feeling our way through the enemy's deep outpost zone, we nevertheless made useful gains of ground with hundreds of prisoners and inflicted the heaviest casualties. Our own losses were relatively light, as we were guided by the doctrine not to be too ambitious when success was likely to be too costly. For this reason we did not attempt to push through Achiet-le-Grand on Wednesday. The enemy here is in great strength and is still counter-attacking with fresh reserves.

Last night's attack by the Third Army troops beyond the Arras-Albert Railway gained important positions. We have pushed to the south of Gommeaucourt, where heavy fighting continues.

The weather is mercifully cooler.

## GERMANS IN FULL RETREAT.

PARIS, Aug. 23.

The Germans are in full retreat on both sides of the Oise over a front of 50 kilometres. The Soissons region is being gradually freed by the Allies, while their menace on Noyon is being accentuated, considerable material, including 200 guns, was captured by Marshal Foch. The Germans are still making tremendous sacrifices in human material to cover, by rearguard actions, the retreats forced upon them, but yesterday again these actions proved futile, and the Allies continued their progress. General Mangin's troops made a rapid advance along the whole front, widening their hold on the Oise bank, reaching from the Ailette to the northwest of Courcy. While these operations were in progress, General Humbert's men were clearing the ground south and south-east of Lassigny, pushing towards Noyon. They captured the height of Plomont, one of the outer defences of Noyon on the west. This town cannot hold out much longer in face of the successes reported yesterday. Courcy and Chauzy are also closely manœuvred and only an early retreat from these towns can save the Germans from an increasingly perilous situation.

## MARSHAL FOCH'S PLAN.

EXPERT OPINION AS TO ULTIMATE AIM.

LONDON, Aug. 23.

The special and ultimate aim of Marshal Foch's strategic plan, which is working out in the present series of battles, is the subject of much speculation alike in London and Paris.

Broadly, the opinion of experts is divided between those who believe that Marshal Foch is striking a number of hammer blows with the object of weakening the enemy numerically, positionally, and as regards moral, preparatory to a decisive blow at some absolutely vital spot, and those who think he is at present merely endeavouring to disorganise what is really a great German retreat or intention to retreat on large sectors, being content to reap the rich fruits of this disorganisation in the shape of big hauls of prisoners and material, and to allow later results to guide him in the matter of more decisive action this year. Some able French critics hold the latter view, which is based on the theory that withdrawal is gradually going on to some new Hindenburg line which is to some depth. Those who argue that we are at present witnessing the preliminaries to a decisive stroke base their belief on the facts that the Allies are

presumably employing very considerable forces in the aggregate in the present battles, that they are exploiting their gains to the utmost, that they are already threatening vital enemy positions, and that, moreover, it would be folly not to push to the last degree this year the immense advantage of their renewed initiative, superior moral and enthusiasm for an offensive, especially among the Americans.

It is pointed out that other considerations, apart from weighty political reasons, are that the Germans have still many Divisions in Russia and it is possible they have still more Divisions booked for surprise enterprise this year on some other front. Hence it is not absolutely certain that a better chance will offer in 1919, for the German front is now more or less fairly "honed."

As regards the latest developments of the battle, one of the most important is the British threat on Bapaume, the fall of which would be a disaster for the enemy. His desperate resistance at Achiet-le-Grand, where the main defensive positions of Bapaume are located, shows he realises this.

## THE DISPOSITION OF THE ARMIES.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Information available in London at 10 o'clock to-day was that General Rawlinson's Fourth Army had gained all its objectives. It captured the high ground south-west of Cappy, and also captured Chigny and Herleville.

There is an unconfirmed report that Una Hill, north-eastward of Albert, has been captured. To-day's advance of General Byng's Third Army has so far resulted in the capture of Bapaume, Bapaume, Bapaume, and Hamelcourt, also Gommeaucourt, where 500 prisoners were taken. General Byng's advance is progressing in a south-easterly direction from Gommeaucourt and is now fronting the Albert-Bapaume-Cambrai road.

Australians and New Zealanders are participating in General Byng's operations. The Canadians are with General Rawlinson's army.

General Mangin's Tenth French Army is also progressing. His patrols to-day crossed the Aisne at several places northward of Soissons, but the German line here is strongly held. The Germans, since August 8th, have launched 55 Divisions against the Allied battle line.

## "ANOTHER GOOD DAY."

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, reporting yesterday, says:

The heaviest fighting has been around Bapaume. The enemy's counter-attacks, in dense formations, were devastated by our machine-guns and rifles, whole battalions being reduced to skeleton strength. The enemy resistance at Chigny's Ridge was similarly very costly.

It is certain that in yesterday's and to-day's fighting the Germans lost very heavily. Our casualties were relatively light.

Tanks and "whippets" again wrought great havoc among the machine-guns.

Surrey, Essex, and Welsh troops and Royal Engineers in to-day's fighting distinguished themselves.

The progress to-day has been authoritatively summed up as "another good day."

## BRITISH ATTACKS VIGOROUSLY.

PRESSER.

MANY POINTS CAPTURED.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

During the day we pressed attacks vigorously and successfully on more than a 30-mile front from Lison to Mercatel.

English, Scottish, and Australian troops attacked southward of the Somme at 4.45 a.m. and captured Herleville, Chigny, and Chigny, also woods between the villages and between the Chigny and the river, during an advance of over two miles. We killed great numbers and took many prisoners. Ten minutes later English and Scottish Guards attacked on the left of the battle-front and stormed Gommeaucourt, Bapaume, Bapaume, Bapaume, and Bapaume.

They took many prisoners and during the remainder of the day progressed eastward of these villages.

Meanwhile, in the right centre of the battle-front, English and Welsh troops attacked the positions on the east bank of the Aisne from south-eastward of Albert to the neighbourhood of Grandcourt, Bapaume, Bapaume, Bapaume, and Bapaume.

They took many prisoners and during the remainder of the day progressed eastward of these villages.

We beat off a counter-attack southward of Grandcourt.

At about 11 a.m. the British battle-front, along the railway, northward of Grandcourt. They captured Achiet-le-Grand, Bapaume, and the ridge overlooking Bapaume.

We continued the attacks during the afternoon.

Several thousand prisoners have been taken during the day and heavy casualties have been inflicted on the enemy.

FURTHER PROGRESS IN ALBERT SECTOR.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

We progressed in the Albert sector during the night, taking prisoners. The attack was resumed early in the morning.

Since the morning of Wednesday, in three days' fighting, we have taken 14,000 prisoners and a number of guns.

We carried out a successful local operation in the evening north-westward of Meul-Braine and repulsed, after sharp fighting, local attacks, at nightfall, northward of Bapaume, southward of Loco and northward of Kommel.

Fighting took place to our advantage.

We have withdrawn our troops behind the Ailette. Our troops left on the west bank of the Ailette, retired before strong attacks between Manicamp and Pont St. Martin.

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## RAY TAKEN.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, states:

Re-taking this morning, we captured Bray, which is an important position, also Villers. We also surrounded Thiepval.

The Australians, yesterday, made a fine advance along the old Somme road, taking 2,000 prisoners from 100 regiments.

It is pointed out that other considerations, apart from weighty political

## AIR FORCE APPOINTMENTS.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Mr. General Sir Godfrey Paine has been appointed Inspector-General of the Royal Air Force and an additional member of the Air Council.

Major-General W. H. Brander has been appointed Master-General of personnel, and Major-General E. L. Ellington, Controller-General of equipment and a member of the Air Council.

IRELAND'S RESPONSIBILITIES.

FORMATION OF AN IRISH BRIGADE.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Colonel Lynch, who is in charge of recruiting in Ireland, says that he aims at forming a Brigade of Irishmen. He points out that if the Germans are victorious, Ireland will have to bear a share of the crushing indemnities.

Illustrating the spirit of initiative, he adds that the Allies are fighting for freedom and progress, assisted by such heroic figures as General Botha and General Smuts.

ALLIES' FOOD SUPPLIES.

AMERICA'S HELP.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Mr. Charles Hoover, the Food Controller, has made a statement that the United States will share the sacrifices, in food as well as in blood, with the Allies.

The United States would provide the Allies, in 1919, with 4,000,000 pounds of fat, 900,000,000 pounds of beef products, 1,500,000,000 tons of sugar, and 500,000,000 bushels of cereals.

AMERICA'S VICTORY.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

A message from Petrograd, dated yesterday, states:

In the region of Lassay and between the Oise and Aisne, the night was marked by fairly lively artillery activity.

Our detachments probed several points of the enemy's trenches in Lorraine and brought back prisoners.

The night was quiet on the rest of the front.

FRENCH CROSS THE DIVETTE.

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THE DUTCH IN PETROGRAD.

POPULATION DYING OUT.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

A message from Petrograd, dated yesterday, states:

One of the worst cholera and famine areas in Russia, the Donets district, is now being ravaged by cholera and famine, typhus is now raging terribly in Petrograd and the northern Russian provinces. The population of whole villages, who receive only two pounds of oats weekly and no bread, are dying out.

Practically all Moscow's railway communications are cut off, partly due to the passive resistance of the railwaymen, but the counter-revolutionaries have blown up numerous bridges and pulled up rail tracks.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIANS.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Sir Theodore Morison, K.C.I.E., an authority on Indian matters, interviewed by Reuter, advocated the making of German East Africa an Indian colony.

He dealt with the advantages German East Africa offers to hundreds of thousands of small cultivators and also to the investment of capital.

He suggests that administration and public development work should be wholly entrusted to Indians, and believes that the Indians are capable of managing and applying a policy for firm and sympathetic government of the German East African natives.

THE SINKING OF "KOBENGEN" REGIMENT.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Mr. Lodge, speaking before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in support of the Muo-Power Bill, warned it against the inidious German peace propaganda, declaring that peace must be dictated to, not negotiated with Germany in order to place her in a position where she never again can disturb the world's peace.

Mr. Lodge specifically detailed the peace terms which must be forced on Germany, including the complete restoration of Belgium, unconditional return of Alsace Lorraine and Italy, independence of Serbia, Rumania, Poland and the Slavs, and the freedom of Russia from German domination.

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THE DUTCH FINDING.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The Foreign Secretary has issued the finding of the inquiry by the Dutch Shipping Council as regards the sinking of the *Kingin* at *Regen*, namely that the ship was sunk by a torpedo.

The Dutch Government asks Germany to re-open a thorough inquiry as to whether it was a German submarine.

"Seeing that Germany does not recognise the immunity of hospital ships."

Great Britain has assured Holland that no British torpedo was fired in the vicinity.

JAPANESE RED CROSS MISSION.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

An Extraordinary Mission was sent by the Japanese Red Cross to France to study the working of the French Medical Service, with a view to arranging a government for Germany.

The German people must do that themselves.

It is composed of several doctors, among whom are Prince Yoshii, Tokugawa, and Professor Niigawa.

They visited the principal French military formations yesterday and the day before.

The Mission is leaving today for the Front.

THE ENTENTE LINE HOLLAND.

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ALLIES.

PEKING, Aug. 16;

Sir Charles Elton, who ably represented Great Britain in the negotiations between Great Britain, United States and Germany regarding Siam, has been appointed High Commissioner and Plenipotentiary to Russia, and will proceed to Vladivostock from Peking shortly, while Mr. Matsudaira, formerly Secretary to the Japanese Embassy in London and afterwards the popular Secretary of the Japanese Legation in Peking and who is now Chancellor of Embassy designated to Washington, has been appointed Japanese Diplomatic Representative with the Japanese expedition to Siberia.

It is understood that General Otani will take command of the Military forces of the Allies at Vladivostock, while Admiral Knight will retain the command of the Naval Forces of the Allies, which will be considerably more important, in future.

SITUATION IN SIBERIA.

STRENGTH OF THE ENEMY.

PEKING, Aug. 16.

Peo. Kuei-king, the Military Governor of Hsinking, has arrived here. The object of his visit is to consult the Government regarding defence measures along the frontier.

The first contingent of Chinese troops for Vladivostock will leave Peking on the 18th. Further troops will follow daily.

THE SITUATION AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

A THREATENED GENERAL  
STRIKE.

VLADIVOSTOCK, Aug. 17.

The threatened general strike resolved itself to-day into a partial strike of printers, dock-men and casual labourers, who issued a declaration demanding the release of the imprisoned Soviet delegate, the expulsion of General Horvat from the town; the trial by court-martial of a British sentry for shooting a workman at the Arsenal recently, denouncing the Czech-Slovaks for abolishing the Soviets and the Allies for establishing a military dictatorship.

The Trade, Commercial and Professional Unions passed resolutions stating that they took no part in the strike.

The publication of the newspapers has been stopped for the time being.

THE SOVIETS' ATTITUDE.

MENACE TO ALLIES' REAR.

TO, Aug. 17.

A Japanese official message states: Krasnoshchokoff, the head of the Far Eastern Soviets, is expected to call a meeting of the members of the Far Eastern Committee at Blagoveshchensk in order to decide their attitude towards the Allied Armies.

Four steamers have appeared on Lake Hanka, evidently for the purpose of landing a body of troops 3,000 strong near Gauuron, north of Spasokul which is thirty miles south of Stephansko where our first line has been formed. Should the enemy succeed in his purpose of making a landing, our rear would be seriously menaced and we might be obliged to withdraw.

AMERICAN TROOPS FOR FRONT.

A GRAND AMERICAN PARADE.

VLADIVOSTOCK, Aug. 18.

Generalissimo Otani arrived this morning. A detachment of American troops entrained for the front to-day. The Americans are preparing a grand parade to-morrow on the occasion of the great Russian holiday.

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